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- 11. This is an action request- see para 3.
- 12. PolMil Counselor and EXBS Advisor delivered talking points outlined in reftel to MFA DDG for Disarmament Bulent Meric, on February 24. Meric stated Article 174 of the new Turkish penal code passed last fall contains punishments for violation of activities such as those under the CWC. Turkey intends to enact more specific legislation this summer to specifically state the violations and punishments as stated under the CWC. The GOT worked with the OPCW in drafting this legislation to insure it fully satisfies the requirements of Article VII of the CWC. Meric anticipates final passage of this new legislature by late summer, well before the November deadline.
- $\underline{\mbox{\bf 1}}\mbox{\bf 3}.$ Action Requested: Meric asked the status of the US implementing legislation. We request the Department to inform us of the status.

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